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do it. It may not have been wise. It may have been the waste of a vote. But when I see the rules being dealt with in this manner, I have to look out for my interests and the interests of those I represent. And you know another thing that shows how weak-minded you all are? Anytime I do something, you go running to the rule book. You say, Ernie used that. We got to get together and repeal that rule. Uh-oh, he did another one. We got to call the Rules Committee together and put in a motion to repeal that rule. You know what you're going to have when you get through and try to stop me? Your rule book will not be a book. It will be one sheet of paper and it will say the rules of the Legislature shall be whatever the Speaker and 25 members say it shall be that day and Senator Chambers shall not vote. That's what you're trying to do. And you're always a step behind. It's like a story I read when I was a little bitty boy and I can't remember the details now, but I remember this one thing. This boy, his mother would send him to do various things and he'd always do the wrong thing. The two incidences that I remember involved him being sent to get some butter. By the time he got home, the butter was melted. His mother said, son, when it's hot like that, the butter will melt...

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...so what you should do since there is a stream that comes from where you got the butter to home, you should tie a string around the butter, put it in the stream and bring it on home. Well, the next time she sent him someplace, he was to get a kitten. So behaving like the Legislature, he tied a string around the kitten's neck, put it in the stream, dragged it home and it was drowned. By the time you all get ready to amend or get rid of a rule, I'm through with it and you make yourselves look ridiculous. But on this procedure that you're using here today, if you get one of those bad bills that a special interest group wants, the Speaker, whoever it happens to be, can move in the way that this is being done to suspend the rules and there will be no motions, no amendments, no discussion and it will be done. And I'm protecting my interest by fighting the way that I am today.

SENATOR KRISTENSEN: Senator Hudkins has as her guests of the Legislature this morning 65 first graders from Arnold Heights